

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the Substitute Specification in the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 14 as follows:

--Figure 1 shows a general drawing of the preferred exemplary embodiment to explain the use of image sensor 12, which is being applied to the monitoring of passenger compartment 28 of a motor vehicle. Image sensor 12 is applied in the vicinity of windshield [[30]] 34 and roof 36 of the motor vehicle in such a way that the image coverage area of image sensor 12 records passenger compartment 28 of the motor vehicle. In this context, image sensor 12 records seat 38, for example, the front passenger seat and/or headrest 40. In addition, image sensor 12 possibly records a person (that is not drawn in) and/or other objects in passenger compartment 28, particularly on seat 38. Image sensor 12 is connected to a processing unit 14 via a signal line 26. Figure 1 shows position 30 of image sensor 12 with respect to reference system 32 of the motor vehicle. Figure 1 also shows an air bag module 50, which is applied for the protection of persons in passenger 28 when the motor vehicle is in an accident.--.